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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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FOR: COST ESTIMATION METHOD, COST ESTIMATION APPARATUS, PRODUCT MANUFACTURING ESTIMATION METHOD AND PRODUCT MANUFACTURING ESTIMATION APPARATUS

## **AMENDMENT**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated October 20, 2005, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.